

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MANUELA FERNANDEZ VILLEGAS and STEVEN
RODNEY ESCH

Defendant.

8:17CR258

ORDER

This matter is before the court on Defendant Villegas' Unopposed Motion to Continue Trial [35]. Counsel is seeking additional time to continue negotiations with the government, to resolve this matter short of trial. For good cause shown,

IT IS ORDERED that Defendant Villegas' Unopposed Motion to Continue Trial [35] is granted as follows:

1. The jury trial, **as to both defendants**, now set for January 30, 2018, is continued to **March 6, 2018**.

2. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), the court finds that the ends of justice will be served by granting this continuance and outweigh the interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. Any additional time arising as a result of the granting of this motion, that is, the time between **today's date and March 6, 2018**, shall be deemed excludable time in any computation of time under the requirement of the Speedy Trial Act. Failure to grant a continuance would deny counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) & (B)(iv).

Dated this 29th day of January, 2018.

BY THE COURT:

s/Susan M. Bazis
United States Magistrate Judge